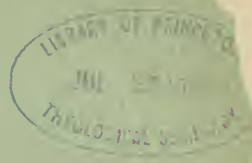


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Boston First Church

**October 22, 23,
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REV. HOWARD AGNEW JOHNSTON, D. D.,
MODERATOR.



MINUTES

.....OF THE.....

First Annual Session

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SYNOD OF NEW ENGLAND

.....HELD IN.....

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buryport.

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Elder George Barnet, Jr.

MINUTES

.....OF THE.....

First Annual Session

.....OF THE.....

Synod of New England.

The Synod of New England was convened in the First Presbyterian Church of Boston, Mass., on Tuesday, October 22nd, 1912, at 2 o'clock P. M. The sermon was preached by the Rev. Herbert A. Manchester, D. D., the Convener, from the text Joshua 22:10, 34. The Revs. Arthur J. Brown, D. D., James Todd, D. D., Lester M. Conrow, William M. Tufts, D. D., Howard A. Johnston, D. D., John F. Johnstone, Ph. D., and Nathaniel J. Sproul assisted in the opening service.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper followed the sermon. The services were conducted by the Convener who was assisted by the Revs. Horace C. Hovey, D. D., and Martin D. Kneeland, D. D., who administered the bread, and the Revs. James M. Craig and McLeod Harvey, Ph. D., who administered the wine. The prayer was offered by the Rev. F. A. M. Brown, D. D. The following elders distributed the elements: John A. Murray, Gilbert M. Stalker, D. J. Ferguson, S. J. McNeilly, A. W. Leavitt, John A. Forbes, John Baptist, William Cowan.

At the close of these services the Synod was constituted with prayer by the Convener. The Rev. James Mitchell, Ph. D., was appointed stated clerk pro tem, and the Rev. James W. Smith, permanent clerk, pro tem.

The roll was called and the following members were found to be present:

PRESBYTERY OF BOSTON

Ministers.—Philip A. Schwartz, Thomas Douglas, Ph. D., Samuel C. Gunn, D. D., Lewis V. Price, D. D., Martin D. Kneeland, D. D., James Mitcheli, Ph. D., James, Todd, D. D., Robert A. Bryant, John P. McPhie, William M. Tufts, D. D., Edward E. Weaver, Ph. D., Herbert A. Manchester, D. D., Duncan A. McPhie, James Matheson, Alexander D. McKinnon, Ph. D., Shadrach V. Bedickian, William A. Brown, Ph. D., N. Frederick Van Horsen, Albert W. McLeod, William W. Iliffe, Clarence A. Young, Ph. D., Norman McQueen, Gregory A. Sherajan, Archibald D. McKinnon, John L. Hess—25.

Elders.—John S. Tarr, Lynn, First; John A. Murray, Boston, First; Gilbert M. Stalker, Boston, East; Forbes Craig, Quincy, First; John H. Elliot, Hyde Park, First; Robert L. Bentley, Brookline, First; Alexander Towne, Boston, Roxbury; D. R. Donaldson, Somerville, Union Square; C. C. Fulton, Boston, Mattapan; William Cowan, Boston, Fourth; Archibald McLain, Boston, Scotch.—11.

PRESBYTERY OF CONNECTICUT VALLEY

Ministers.—Frederick A. M. Brown, D. D., Carlos Martyn, D. D., Howard Agnew Johnston, D. D., Horace T. Chadsey, Frank M. Carson, D. D., William S. Voorhies, D. D., Frank Duncan Smith, John F. Johnstone, Ph. D., John McL. Richardson, A. L. Shear.—10.

Elders.—John T. Manson, New Haven, Benedict Memorial; L. S. Begent, Stamford, First; A. D. MacAuley, Springfield, First; George Barnett Jr., Holyoke, First; Alexander D. McKinnon, Hartford;; John Baptist, Bridgeport, First; S. A. Brush, Greenwich,—7.

PRESBYTERY OF NEWBURYPORT.

Ministers.—Horace C. Hovey, D. D., T. James McFadden, James M. Craig, Frederick C. Saure, Allan McD. Paterson, Paul J. Lux, Richard R. Lange, James W. Smith, Bernard Christopher, Frank A. Arbuckle, Alexander Jackson, Ph. D.—11.

Elders.—A. W. Leavitt, Newburyport, First; Frederick Victor, Lawrence, German; Joseph L. Day, Londonderry; Enoch C. Paige, Antrim; C. P. Woodbury, Bedford; George F. Armstrong, Windham.—6

PRESBYTERY OF PROVIDENCE

Ministers.—McLeod Harvey, Ph. D., Nathaniel J. Sproul, Samuel W. Steckel, Lester M. Conrow, Charles Allen Fisher, J. Van Neice Bandy, A. Arthur Griffes, Ph. D.—7

Elders.—J. H. Joynes, Worcester, First; John A. Forbes,

Newport, First; Hugh R. McGregor, Providence, First; David J. MacFarlane, New Bedford, First; Howard H. Thompson, So. Framingham, First; P. S. Archibald, Woonsocket, First.—6

Members Present

Presbyteries.	Ministers.	Elders.	Totals.
Boston	25	11	36
Connecticut Valley	10	7	17
Newburyport	11	6	17
Providence	7	6	13
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	53	30	83
Corresponding members			14
Total			97

The Rev. Howard Agnew Johnston, D. D., of the Moderator
Presbytery of Connecticut Valley was elected Moderator.

The Rev. Lester M. Conrow, of the Presbytery of Clerks
Providence was elected Stated Clerk; the Rev James W.
Smith, of the Presbytery of Newburyport was elected Per-
manent Clerk, and the Rev. F. Albert Arbuckle of the same
Presbytery was elected Temporary Clerk.

The Rev. James Todd, D. D., of the Presbytery of Bos- Treasurer
ton was elected Treasurer.

The Rev. William M. Tufts, D. D., Chairman of the Arrangements
Committee of Arrangements made his report and recom-
mended the adoption of the printed program as the docket
for this session. This report was accepted and its recom-
mendation adopted as follows:

Tuesday, October 22nd.

- 2.00 P. M.—Opening Service and Sermon by Rev. H. A. Man-
chester, D. D., Convener.
Administration of the Sacrament of the Lord's
Supper.
Roll-Call.
Election of Moderator, Stated Clerk, Permanent
Clerk. Temporary Clerk, and Treasurer.
Report of Committee on Arrangements.
Adjournment.
- 5.30 P. M.—Supper in Hall, with Addresses by Fraternal
Delegates. Dr. M. D. Kneeland, presiding.
- 7.30 P. M.—Popular Service. Moderator presiding.

8.00 P. M.—Address by Rev. Mark A. Matthews, D. D., Moderator of the General Assembly. Presbyterian Church in U. S. A.

8.15 P. M.—Address on Foreign Missions, Rev. Dr. Arthur J. Brown, Secretary.

Wednesday, October 23rd.

9.00 A. M.—Devotional Exercises, Leader, Rev. S. C. Gunn, D. D.

9.30 A. M.—Business. Reading of Minutes. Appointment of Temporary Committees, and Nominating Committee to Nominate Standing Committees. by the Moderator.

Report on Minutes of General Assembly by Rev. Duncan Salmond.

Report of Finance Committee; Dr. Kneeland.

10.00 A. M.—Address on Brotherhood, Rev. W. H. Foulkes, D. D., New York.

10.30 A. M.—Address on Federation of Churches, Rev. Mr. Root, Boston.

10.45 A. M.—Address on Ministerial Relief, and Sustentation Funds, Rev. W. J. Johnston, New York.

11.05 A. M.—Report on Constitution and Standing Rules for Synod, Rev. Dr. James Todd.

12.15 P. M.—Adjournment.

12.30 P. M.—Lunch, Rev. William Tufts, D. D., presiding. Address by Visiting Brethren.

2.00 P. M.—Business. Reports of Committees.

2.30 P. M.—Address, Temperance, Prof. Scanlon.

2.50 P. M.—Address, American Bible Society, Rev. William H. Tower.

3.00 P. M.—Unfinished Business.

4.00 P. M.—Address on Education, Rev. Dr. Joseph W. Cochran.

4.20 P. M.—Unfinished Business.

Roll Call.

Reading Minutes.

5.30 P. M.—Supper, Rev. H. A. Manchester, D. D., presiding. Brief Addresses by Brethren.

7.30 P. M.—Popular meeting, Chairman H. M. Committee, presiding.

8.00 P. M.—Address, Sabbath School Work, Rev. A. Henry, D. D.

Adjournment.

8.45 P. M.—Address, Home Missions, Mr. Joseph E. McAfee.

Corresponding Members

The following were introduced and invited to sit as corresponding members:

The Revs. W. J. Martin, D. D., E. C. Simpson, A. K. McLennan, D. D., T. C. Atchison of the United Presbyterian Synod of New York; Alexander Henry D. D., Charles Scanlon, and John M. Kyle, D. D., of the Synod of Pennsylvania; William J. Johnston and J. C. Robinson of the Synod of Minnesota; Arthur J. Brown, D. D., William Hiram Foulkes, D. D., and William H. Tower of the Synod of New York; H. A. Bridgeman, D. D., of the Massachusetts Association of Congregational Churches; and Joseph E. McAfee, Associate Secretary of the Board of Home Missions.

The Rev. W. J. Martin, D. D., addressed the Synod on the "History of Presbyterianism in New England" and in congratulation of the opportunities afforded the new Synod in advancing the Kingdom of God. The Moderator made suitable response to this address.

After prayer and benediction by Dr. Martin the Synod adjourned until tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Tuesday, 7:45 P. M., after devotional exercises the Synod listened to addresses by the Rev. Mark A. Matthews, D. D., Moderator of the General Assembly and the Rev. Arthur J. Brown, D. D., Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions.

At the close of this meeting the following resolution presented by the Rev. Martin D. Kneeland, D. D., was unanimously passed:

Resolved, That the large audience gathered in the First Presbyterian Church of Boston, Mass., on Tuesday evening, Oct. 22nd., 1912, expresses its deep and earnest interest in the Greatest and Youngest of Republics, the Republic of China, and respectfully requests the President and the Secretary of State of the United States, America, to take such steps, at the earliest possible moment, as shall result in the recognition of the Republic of China by the Republic of the United States of America.

Wednesday, October 23, 1912, 9 A. M.—After devotional services led by Rev. S. C. Gunn, D. D., the Synod resumed business and was led in prayer by the Rev. J. McL. Richardson.

Minutes The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

Committees The Moderator announced the following Standing Committees:

Bills and Overtures.

Ministers.—Herbert A. Manchester, D. D., John McL. Richardson.

Elders.—Hugh R. McGregor, A. W. Leavitt.

Polity.

Ministers.—F. A. M. Brown, D. D., N. J. Sproul.

Elder.—Hugh R. McGregor.

Nomination of Permanent Committees.

Ministers.—F. A. M. Brown, D. D., Lester M. Conrow, A. McD. Peterson, William W. Hiffe.

Leave of Absence.

Ministers —Albert W. McLeod, James Mitchell, Ph. D.

Bills and
Overtures

The Convener of Synod introduced several papers which had come in his hand. These were ordered placed in the hands of the Stated Clerk who in turn passed them over to the Committee on Bills and Overtures on its appointment.

Petition

A petition from the First Church of Lowell was received and on motion referred to the Committee on Polity.

Vacancy and
Supply

A communication from the General Assembly's Committee on Vacancy and Supply was read by the Stated Clerk. The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That Presbyteries appoint Committees on Vacancy and Supply and that these Committees be enjoined to communicate with and work in harmony with the General Assembly's Committee.

General
Assembly's
Recommendations

The Stated Clerk read a communication from the Stated Clerk of the General Assembly containing four recommendations to Synod. This communication was received and its recommendation adopted in so far as they concerned the Synod of New England.

Conference
Committee
on
Church
Erection

The following resolution was presented and adopted:

Resolved, That the purpose and efforts of the Committee on Conference with the Board of Church Erection, appointed by the Presbytery of Boston, be approved. On motion this

Committee was made a Special Committee of Synod with the addition of the Moderator. The Committee is as follows:

Revs. James Todd, D. D., Martin D. Kneeland, D. D., Herbert A. Manchester, D. D., and Howard A. Johnston, D. D.,

The Rev. William Hiram Foulkes, D. D., representing the National Council of the Presbyterian Brotherhood addressed the Synod. Brotherhood

The Rev. William J. Johnson presented the claims of the Board of Ministerial Relief and Sustentation. Sustentaion

The Rev. E. Talmadge Root, Secretary of the Federation of Churches for Massachusetts and Rhode Island spoke on this subject after which the following resolution was adopted: Federation

Resolved, That one minister and one elder from the Presbyterian Churches of Massachusetts and one minister and one elder from the Presbyterian Churches of Rhode Island be appointed by the Moderator to co-operate as a Committee of Synod with the General Committee of the Federation of Churches in their respective States.

The Moderator appointed the following to act as Committee:

From Massachusetts—Rev. Herbert A. Manchester, D. D., and Elder Wm. Cowan.

From Rhode Island—Rev. C. Allan Fisher and Elder John Davidson.

The report of the Committee on Standing Rules of Synod was presented by its Chairman, Rev. James Todd, D. D. The report was accepted with the thanks of Synod to the Chairman of the Committee and its articles adopted. See Appendix. Standing Rules

On motion the Stated Clerk was authorized and instructed to print the Standing Rules as adopted and they were made effective from the beginning of the Session of Synod. Order to Print

The Rev. H. A. Bridgeman, D. D., "Editor of the Congregationalist," was introduced to Synod and made a congratulatory address. Congratulatory Address

After prayer by the Rev. James M. Craig the Synod took a recess until 2 P. M.

Wednesday, 2 P. M.

After devotional service the Synod resumed business.

Lowell
Petition

The Committee on Church Polity reported through its Chairman, Rev. F. A. M. Brown, D. D., which report was received and its recommendation adopted as follows:

That the petition of the First Presbyterian Church of Lowell, requesting that for reasons given, it be transferred from the Presbytery of Newburyport to the Presbytery of Boston, be denied.

Finance

The Rev. M. D. Kneeland, D. D., presented the following resolution, relative to the adjustment of financial relations between the Synod of New York and the Synod of New England, which resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That Elder John T. Manson and the Rev. James Todd, D. D., be appointed to act and counsel with the Stated Clerk in the adjustment of the financial relations of the Synods of New York and New England.

Bills of
Synod

On motion the Treasurer was authorized and instructed to pay the properly certified bills of the Convener and the Committee on Entertainment of Synod.

Committees

The report of the Committee on Nomination of the Permanent Committees was presented by the Rev. Wm. W. Iliffe. This report was adopted and the following Permanent Committees were elected:

Executive Commission.

Ministers—H. A. Johnston, D. D. Chairman, three years; H. A. Manchester, D. D., two years; Alexander Jackson, Ph. D., one year; Charles Allen Fisher, one year.

Elders—John T. Manson, three years; S. J. McNeilly, two years; Hugh R. McGregor, one year.

Home Missions.

Ministers—Wm. M. Tufts, D. D., Chairman; Wm. W. Iliffe, Allan McD. Paterson, N. J. Sproul, H. A. Johnston, D. D.

Elders—D. J. Ferguson, Frederick Viotor, Robert Marshall, A. H. Hancock.

Foreign Missions.

Ministers—Frank M. Carson, D. D., Chairman, three years; A. Arthur Griffes, Ph. D., two years; Paul J. Lux, Ph. D., one year.

Elders—Gilbert M. Stalker, three years; Alexander D. MacKinnon, two years.

Education.

Ministers—F. A. M. Brown, D. D., Chairman, three years; Clarence A. Young, Ph. D., two years; F. Albert Arbuckle, one year.

Elders—L. S. Begent, three years; William Binney, two years.

Publication, S. S. Work and Young People's Society.

Ministers—John McL. Richardson, Chairman, three years; Duncan Salmond, two years; John P. McPhie, one year.

Elders—David J. MacFarlane, three years; Robert L. Bentley, two years.

Ministerial Relief and Sustentation.

Ministers—James Todd, D. D., Chairman, three years; James M. Craig, two years; Wm. S. Voorhies, D. D., one year.

Elders—Wm. Cowan, three years; John T. Ferguson, two years.

American Bible Society.

Ministers—Frank D. Smith, Chairman, three years; James Matheson, two years.

Elder—William Brown, one year.

Vacancy and Supply.

Ministers—Duncan A. McPhie, Chairman, three years; Horace T. Chadsey, two years.

Elders—Forbes Craig, one year.

Brotherhood, Social Service, Temperance and Lord's Day.

Ministers—Martin D. Kneeland, D. D., Chairman, three years; N. Frederick Van Horsen, two years; A. L. Shear, one year.

Elders—John Baptist, three years; D. R. Donaldson, two years.

Trustees of Synod.

Ministers—H. A. Johnston, D. D., three years; Richard R. Lange, two years.

Elders—George Barnet, Jr., one year; C. C. Fulton, three years; John A. Murray, two years.

Narrative.

Ministers—Lester M. Conrow, Chairman; James Mitchell, Ph. D., John F. Johnstone, Ph. D., James W. Smith, McLeod Harvey, Ph. D.

Bills and
Overtures

The Committee on Bills and Overtures reported through the Chairman, Rev. H. A. Manchester, D. D., as follows:

(1)—A communication from "The National Reform Association" asking that delegates be appointed by Synod to attend a conference. No action.

(2)—A communication from the Synod of Wisconsin. No action.

(3)—A letter from Rev. John Montgomery, a member of Synod. Referred to Committee on Leave of Absence.

(4)—A paper containing a plan for expert Sunday School work was referred to the Executive Commission, Committee on Home Missions and Committee on S. S. Work, as provided by the Standing Rules (Article XVI.)

Greetings
to Women's
Society

The Moderator of Synod was requested and instructed to convey to the newly organized Women's Synodical Missionary Society the greetings and best wishes of the Synod for the success of their meeting for organization and work planned for the Kingdom of God.

Temperance

The Rev. Charles Scanlon, Secretary, representing the Permanent Committee on Temperance, addressed the Synod.

Bible
Society

The Synod listened to an address by the Rev. Wm. Hogarth Tower, representing the American Bible Society.

Old South
Newburyport

The Rev. A. McD. Paterson addressed Synod and introduced the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That we commend the efforts of the Old South First Church of Newburyport, Mass.,—the very church founded by George Whitefield, in 1742, and under whose pulpit the bones of Whitefield rest today, making this one of the most sacred shrines of Presbyterianism in the United States,—to raise a partial endowment of \$50,000 in order to preserve and maintain this important historical church and hallowed crypt for coming generations.

Resolutions
of Thanks

The following resolution, presented by the Rev. W. S. Voorhies, D. D., was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the Synod of New England, in session at this time, extend a sincere vote of thanks to the pastors, other officers and ladies of the Presbyterian Churches of Boston for their open and genial hospitality extended to the members and friends of the Synod on this, its first official meeting.

An invitation being extended by the First Church of Hartford for the next meeting of Synod, it was voted that this invitation be accepted and the pastor and session be appointed a Committee on Arrangements as provided by the Standing Rules (Article XI.)

Meeting
1913

The Committee on Leave of Absence reported the following as having been excused:

Leave of
Absence

Presbytery of Boston—Rev. John Montgomery.

The roll was called and the following were absent without excuse:

Roll

Presbytery of Boston.

Ministers—Revs. Milton Waldo, D. D., William Durant, D. D., Frank E. Mills, John Sinclair, D. D. James Alexander, I.L. D., Edward C. Winslow, Edward Eells, Wm. S. Wallace, Wm. C. Minifie, D. D., James Dexter Taylor, Anderson Craiu

Elders from the following churches—Boston, St. Andrews, Waltham, First.

Presbytery of Connecticut Valley.

Elders from the following churches—Noroton, Thompsonville, Sound Beach.

Presbytery of Newburyport.

Ministers—Revs. Kenneth McKay, E. Wilmot Cummings, John P. Richardson, George McArthur, John E. Wildey, John P. Newell, John Kamm, Stephen B. Brownell, David L. Wilson, Duncan Salmond, William J. Ballou.

Elders from the following churches—Newburyport Second; Lowell First; Graniteville; Haverhill First; Manchester, German; West Barnet; Barre First; Manchester, Westminster; Portland First; Houlton First; Litchfield; New Boston; South Ryegate, First.

Presbytery of Providence.

Ministers—Revs. Joseph F. Langton, James D. Cameron, Charles T. Schaeffer.

Elders from the following churches—Fall River First; Lonsdale First; Providence Second.

The minutes of today's session were read and approved.

Minutes

After prayer and benediction by the Moderator the Synod adjourned to meet in the First Church of Hartford, Conn., on the Fourth Tuesday of October, 1913, at 2 o'clock P. M.

JAMES W. SMITH,

Permanent Clerk.

Attest:

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LESTER M. CONROW,

Stated Clerk.

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STANDING RULES OF THE SYNOD OF NEW ENGLAND.

I. This shall be called the Synod of New England, and shall include the six New England States, and be composed of the Presbyteries set forth in the minutes of the General Assembly recording them, (Min. G. A. 1912 p. 169), and any others which may be added from time to time.

II. Members of the Synod shall consist of the ministers who are members of the Presbyteries constituting it, and one elder from each church within its bounds.

III. The Synod shall meet annually, on the Fourth Tuesday of October, at 2 o'clock, P. M., at the place chosen at the last meeting; or, if this is impracticable, at such a place as the moderator and stated clerk shall appoint.

IV. The officers of Synod shall be a Moderator, a Stated Clerk, a Permanent Clerk, a Temporary Clerk and a Treasurer. ♦

V. The Moderator shall be elected annually by calling the roll, except when there is but one nomination, and a majority of all the votes cast shall elect him. His duties shall be such as are defined by the "General Rules for Judicatories of The Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A."

VI. The Stated and Permanent Clerks shall be elected by ballot and shall serve, the Stated Clerk, three years and the Permanent Clerk two years. The Temporary Clerk shall be chosen upon the recommendation of the Stated and Permanent Clerks, and shall serve for one year as their assistant.

VII. It shall be the duty of the Stated Clerk to give due notice of the time and place of each meeting of the Synod. He shall, at the opening of the Synod, place in the Moderator's hands a complete docket of all business to come before the Synod. As soon after adjournment as practicable, he shall publish the proceedings of the Synod, and in doing so shall have authority to abridge the reports, except such matter as has been adopted, so far as may be done without limiting their historical value. He shall furnish a copy of the printed minutes to each minister and church session in those Presbyteries which have paid in full the Synodical apportionment, to the officers of the Women's Missionary Societies, to the Secretaries of the Boards, and to the church papers. To others the fixed price of the Minutes shall be twenty-five cents per copy.

It shall be the duty of the Permanent Clerk, with the assistance of the Temporary Clerk, to secure a faithful report of all

the proceedings of the Synod, and deliver the same to the Stated Clerk upon the final adjournment of the Synod.

VIII. The Stated and Permanent Clerks shall constitute a committee of enrollment which shall make out the roll of the Synod as a result of the roll call of the members of the Synod.

IX. The compensation of the Stated Clerk shall be Seventy-five Dollars (\$75), and of the Permanent Clerk Ten Dollars (\$10), per annum.

X. The Treasurer shall be elected by ballot, and shall serve for three years. He shall deposit the funds of the Synod with a responsible banking institution where an account shall be opened in his name as Treasurer of Synod. He shall present at the Annual Meeting his report, accompanied with vouchers and bank book balanced up to date, all of which shall be audited by the finance committee. He shall be authorized to pay all bills incurred by order of Synod and the salaries of the clerks of Synod. He shall give bonds to the extent of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.), which shall be paid for by the Synod.

XI. The pastor and session of the church where the Synod meets, together with the Stated Clerk shall constitute a Committee of Arrangements, whose duty it shall be to provide suitable accommodations for the Synod, arrange for the entertainment of members, suitable devotional exercises, and recommend a program for the sessions and popular meetings of the Synod.

XII. Each annual meeting of the Synod shall be opened with a sermon by the Moderator, or, in case of his inability, by some other member of the Synod, selected by the Committee of Arrangements. The morning sessions shall begin with a devotional service, continuing for at least thirty minutes and provision shall be made for the Celebration of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper at some suitable part of the meeting.

XIII. At each meeting of the Synod the Moderator shall appoint the following Standing Committees:

STANDING COMMITTEES.

1. On Bills and Overtures, five members—three ministers and two elders.

2. Judicial Business, five members—three ministers and two elders.

3. Minutes of the General Assembly, five members—three ministers and two elders.

4. Leave of Absence, five members—three ministers and two elders.

5. Finance, three elders. It shall be the duty of the Finance Committee to consider the financial need of Synod for current expenses, and to recommend, for adoption by the Synod, an apportionment to each Presbytery to meet the same

In case of failure any year to make this apportionment, the rate shall be, for each communicant, the same as that of the previous year. This committee shall also constitute the committee to audit the accounts of the Treasurer.

6. A Nominating Committee to select and recommend for election the members of the Permanent Committees; five members—three ministers and two elders.

7. On the Place for the Next Meeting of the Synod, three members—two ministers and one elder.

8. On Records of Presbyteries, two members for each Presbytery, one minister and one elder. A committee to collate the whole and report to Synod.

9. On Narrative. The Stated Clerk of Synod and the Stated Clerks of the Presbyteries within its bounds.

PERMANENT COMMITTEES.

XIV. The Synod's Permanent Committees shall serve three years, excepting when otherwise provided, and shall be so arranged in classes that, as far as possible, an equal number shall retire annually. These committees shall be as follows:

1. An Executive Commission, seven members—four ministers and three elders.

2. Home Missions, Freedmen and Church Erection, the chairman and one elder of the Home Mission Committee in each Presbytery, with a chairman elected by the Synod.

3. Foreign Missions, five members—three ministers and two elders.

4. Education, five members—three ministers and two elders.

5. Publication and Sabbath School Work and Young People's Societies, five members—three ministers and two elders.

6. Ministerial Relief and Sustentation Fund, five members—three ministers and two elders.

7. The American Bible Society, three members—two ministers and one elder.

8. Vacancy and Supply, three members—two ministers and one elder.

9. Brotherhood, Social Service, Temperance and Lord's Day, five members—three ministers and two elders.

XV. When a vacancy occurs in any of these Permanent Committees the Stated Clerk of Synod shall report the same, and successors shall be elected to serve for the unexpired time of those they succeed.

UNIFICATION OF COMMITTEES.

XVI. In obedience to the decision of the General Assembly of 1912, Synod directs that the closest and most cordial coöperation be had between the Committees on Home Missions and Sabbath School Work, and especially in their Missionary operations; to prevent duplicating work; to secure greater economy and efficiency in the use of men and means and that, when any problem of organization or supervision shall arise, conference be had with the Executive Commission of Synod.

XVII. The Board of Trustees of the Synod shall consist of two ministers and three elders.

XVIII. No member shall leave the Synod before its final adjournment without first having obtained leave from the Committee on Leave of Absence, which committee shall report to the Synod at the close of the sessions the names of all so excused. The roll shall be called at the close of the final business session of the Synod and the names of all absent without permission shall be recorded in the minutes of Synod.

XIX. The Stated Clerk of each Presbytery shall furnish the Stated Clerk of Synod with the following data before each annual meeting:

1. A list of the Officers and Permanent Committees of Presbytery.
2. A complete report of Presbyterial Acts and changes during the previous year, as directed by the Form of Government, Chapter x, Section ix.
3. The Presbyterial Narrative on the State of Religion.
4. The names of any ministers who have died during the year together with their ages, dates of their decease, years of service in the ministry, and churches served.
5. A report of any changes which may have occurred in the eldership of the churches during the year.

XX. The General Rules for Judicatories, found printed in the Appendix to the Form of Government, and as amended from year to year by the General Assembly, shall be the rules of order for this Synod, in all cases not otherwise provided for.

XXI. The standing Rules may be suspended, temporarily, and for a definite purpose, by a vote of two-thirds of the members present and voting.

XXII. Amendments to the Standing Rules, proposed at one meeting of the Synod shall not be finally acted upon until the next annual meeting when a two-thirds vote of those present shall be required to adopt the amendment.

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